

## Message Text

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TO AMEMBASSY LONDON PRIORITY

INFO AMEMBASSY GABORONE PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY MASERU

AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN

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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MILI, UK, BC, SF

SUBJECT: BOTSWANA PURCHASE OF AR-L8 RIFLE AMMO

REF: GABORONE A) 0574 AND B) 0585

1. DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZED LICENSE NO. 30561 ON JAN 13  
PERMITTING OLIN CORP. TO EXPORT 70,000 ROUNDS 5.56MM  
AMMUNITION TO GOVT. OF BOTSWANA VIA STERLING ARMAMENT  
CO., LTD., STERLING WORKS DAGENHOM, ESSEX RM 10 8ST.  
OLIN ADVISED DEPT. SHIPMENT DEPARTED ON MARCH 4 FOR  
ARRIVAL IN UK ON MARCH 14.

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2. DUE TO URGENCY OF REQUEST BY AMEMBASSY GABORONE  
(REFTEL A), REQUEST YOU CONTACT STERLING ARMAMENT CO LTD  
TO ASCERTAIN ONGOING MODE OF TRANSPORTATION AND DATES  
OF SHIPMENT AND DELIVERY OF AMMO. PLEASE ADVISE EMBASSY  
GABORONE DIRECTLY.  
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## Message Attributes

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